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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

PROVISIONAL ELECTION WITH TRAVERSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 10, 2002, Applicants respectfully requests that the following election be entered and the following remarks considered.

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REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

In the Office Action mailed January 29, 2002, the Examiner indicated (at page 2) that the Applicant is required to elect one of the following claim groups for prosecution:

Group	Claims	Classification
I	1-57, 87-105	Class 359, Subclass 29
II	58-86	Class 430, Subclass 1, 2

The Examiner further indicated (at page 3) that the Applicant is required to elect, for the selection claim group, a single disclosed species for prosecution. The species for the Group I and Group II claims, respectively, are indicated to be:

Group I Species		
Species 1	Claims 1-11, 26-33, 36-44	
Species 2	Claims 12-25, 34, 35, 45-57	
Species 3	Claims 87-103	
Species 4	Claims 104 and 105	

Group II Species		
Species 1	Claims 58-81	
Species 2	Claims 82-86	

PROVISIONAL ELECTION WITH TRAVERSE

Applicants provisionally elect, <u>with traverse</u>, to prosecute the claims of Group I, which group corresponds to claims 1-11, 26-33, and 36-44, as noted above. Applicants further provisionally elect to prosecute the claims of Species 2 of Group I, which includes claims 12-25, 34, 35, and 45-57.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

As set forth above, Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute the claims of Group I, Species 2. However, Applicant traverses the requirement for restriction and, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.143 and M.P.E.P. § 818.03, Applicant requests reconsideration of this restriction requirement for the reasons set forth below.

As set forth in M.P.E.P. § 803:

There are two criteria for a proper requirement for restriction between patentably distinct inventions:

- (A) The inventions must be independent . . . or distinct as claimed . . .; and
- (B) There must be a serious burden on the examiner if restriction is required.

For claims directed to both a method of making a product and the product, it is further stated in M.P.E.P. § 806.05(f) that:

A process of making and a product made by the process can be shown to be distinct inventions if either or both of the following can be shown: (A) that the process as claimed is not an obvious process of making the product and the process as claimed can be used to make other and different products; or (B) that the product as claimed can be made by another and materially different process.

Further, as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 814, the "particular limitations in the claims and the reasons why such limitations are considered to restrict the claims to a particular disclosed species should be mentioned if necessary to **make the requirement clear**." More importantly, as required by M.P.E.P. § 816, the "particular reasons relied on by the examiner for holding that the inventions as claimed are either independent or distinct should be **concisely** stated. A mere statement of conclusion is inadequate. The reasons upon which the conclusion is based should be given." See also M.P.E.P. § 808.

In support of the Examiner's restriction between the Group I and Group II claims, the Examiner suggests that "the product can be made by a materially different process

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such as computer generation," citing M.P.E.P. § 806.05(f) (reproduced above). The Examiner provides no other reasons in support of this restriction requirement.

The Applicant fails to understand how a holographic device, as described in the asfiled specification, can be made by "computer generation." While computer-aided
modeling, analysis, and drafting may be part of the design phase for many types of
products and, further, although computing devices may control or assist many facets of a
manufacturing process, "computer generation" is not, by itself, a method of making the
described holographic device. For example, how could "computer generation" perform
the act of "imprinting on at least one slab face of a substrate, a holographic pattern
comprising temporal information," as claimed in independent claim 58. By way of
further example, how could "computer generation" perform the act of "depositing a layer
on at least one slab face of a substrate" as recited in claim 63.

In sum, the Examiner's reason for insisting upon restriction between Groups I and II is not clear and concisely stated, as required by the above-referenced sections of the M.P.E.P. Accordingly, the requirement for restriction is improper.

CONCLUSION

Any questions regarding this provisional election and request for reconsideration may be directed to the Applicant's undersigned attorney.

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